

2. (Original) A worktable system according to claim 1, in which means are provided for a worktop section to fit and operate both on a shorter and extended top frame support.

3. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~either of claims 1 or~~ claim 2 in which means are provided to extend the functioning of a mechanism situated on a shorter top frame footprint to an extended top frame footprint.

4. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any preceding~~ claim 3 in which means are provided whereby the distance between two directly- linked, cooperatively-articulating axis points on a folding leg support structure may be varied.

5. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ claim 4 in which the said direct link between two cooperatively-articulating axis points may be released or refitted with quick-fit/quick release means

6. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ claim 5 in which quick adjustment means are provided to vary the length of any said direct link between two cooperatively- articulating axis points.

7. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ claim 6 in which the operational-angle and /or distance between the leg supports may be adjusted to provide an extended top frame support

8. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ claim 7 in which an extended top frame support is provided by positioning the far-end leg support in folded or closed position in a line parallel to the top frame while simultaneously positioning the control-end leg support in an open, relatively vertical plane.

9. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceeding claims~~ claim 8 in which at least one ground-angle-working-plane is provided for the worktop sections by changing the operational angle and /or distance between the leg supports

10. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceeding claims~~ claim 9 in which at least one ground-angle-working-plane is provided for the worktop sections by the leg support alignment described in claim 8 wherein the foot of the far-end leg support rests on the ground, the far-end support in this configuration serving as both leg support and top frame extension.

11. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceeding claims~~ claim 10 in which an extended maximum-operational-footprint for the worktop sections is provided in a horizontal operational plane by the leg support alignment described, in claim 8 wherein the foot end of the far- end leg is supported by an extension leg support, the far- end leg support in this configuration positioned in a horizontal operational plane and serving in this mode only as top frame extension.

12. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceeding claims~~ claim 11 in which means are provided to link the leg supports in certain operational configurations and un-link them in other operational configurations.

13. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceeding claims~~ claim 12 in which means are provided to lock the control-end leg support at one or more operating- angle settings to the top frame, this locked position functioning independently of any linkage with the far-end leg support.

14. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceeding claims~~ claim 13 in which means are provided for the far- end leg support to be positioned in a line parallel to the top frame, this positioning functioning independently of any linkage with the control-end legs.

15. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceeding claims~~ claim 14 providing a top frame aligner element which, positioned on the top frame extension support, extends the necessary positional line and form requirements of the original top frame support such that a worktop section functioning on the original maximum-operational- footprint for the worktop sections may equally fit and operate on the extended maximum-operational-footprint.

16. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceeding claims~~ claim 15 in which there is provided a top frame aligner along which a worktop section mount and/or worktop section may be selectively positioned and fixed.

17. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceeding claims~~ claim 16 in which there is provided a top frame aligner which is displaceable along the top frame extension support and which is linked to the clamping/displacement means on the shorter maximum-operational-footprint such that activation of the said means produces the same clamping/displacement results on the extended maximum-operational-footprint as on the shorter.

18. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceeding claims~~ claim 17 in which the clamping/displacement means activates a primary clamping/displacement vehicle along which a secondary clamping/displacement vehicle may be selectively positioned and fixed, the secondary vehicle being employed to displace any attached tool or worktop section over a larger distance along the length of the primary vehicle and any extension linked to the said primary vehicle to a selected fixing point on the said primary vehicle or linked extension, the primary vehicle being employed to tighten and/or displacementely adjust the secondary vehicle with any attached tool or worktop section over the remaining smaller distance.

19. (Original) A worktable system in which the clamping/displacement means activates a primary clamping/displacement vehicle along which a secondary clamping/displacement vehicle may be selectively positioned and fixed, the said

secondary vehicle being employed to displace any attached tool or worktop section over a larger distance along the length of the primary vehicle and any extension linked to the said primary vehicle to a selected fixing point on the said primary vehicle or extension, the primary vehicle being employed to tighten and/or displacementally adjust the secondary vehicle together with any attached tool or worktop section over the remaining smaller distance.

20. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ claim 19 in which the secondary clamping/displacement vehicle is provided with an override mechanism permitting it to be instantaneously disengaged, repositioned and instantaneously re-engaged with any fixing point on the primary clamping/displacement vehicle or any linked extension of the said primary vehicle.

21. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ claim 20 in which the secondary clamping/displacement vehicle is provided with a retention plate which permits it to be slideably displaced along the length of the primary clamping/displacement vehicle or linked extension but does not permit it to be detached in any other angle plane;

22. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ claim 21 in which there are provided attachment points and a linking element on and between the primary clamping/displacement vehicle and the top frame aligner.

23. (Currently amended) A worktable system according to ~~any of the above claims~~ claim 22 in which means are provided to extend the length of the top frame support structure displacing the axis or fixing point of the far-end leg support away from the control-end leg support.